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Wed, Aug 12, 2009 at 10:24 PM

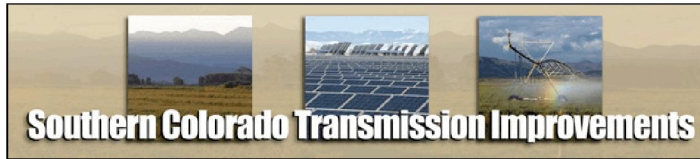
To: SoCo Transmission Project <info@socotransmission.com>

I-135-001 | please, no power lines through my home in majors ranch. i have worked to hard to watch my property value decline!
why not go through a remote, unpopulated area!

--- On Wed, 8/12/09, SoCo Transmission Project <info@socotransmission.com> wrote:

From: SoCo Transmission Project <info@socotransmission.com>
Subject: Southern Colorado Transmission Project e-Update
To: goldentruckers@yahoo.com
Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2009, 10:41 AM

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Southern Colorado Transmission Improvements

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DID YOU KNOW?
As an electric cooperative, Tri-State requested funding from RUS for its ownership interest in the project; therefore it is a federal action and subject to the [National Environmental Policy Act \(NEPA\)](#) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). RUS is the lead agency and will coordinate compliance and its

New Web site provides project details
[Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association](#) and Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo), an [Xcel Energy](#) company, partners in Southern Colorado Transmission Improvements, have launched a new Web site that provides more project details for the public and key stakeholders.
>> Visit www.socotransmission.com >>
In addition to detailed information about the purpose and need for the project, the site also features a mapping function that gives visitors a closer look at the proposed corridors.
>> [View maps](#) >>
As the [USDA Rural Utilities Service \(RUS\)](#) and the utilities prepare to begin the public scoping phase of the project to gather input and indentify issues, the site will serve as a tool to collect public comments through an online comment form.
>> [Public comment form](#) >>
People are also encouraged to subscribe to the e-mail newsletter that provides news and updates about the project.
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Public scoping meetings scheduled for Aug 17-20

I-135-001: Socioeconomic Resources (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential impacts to social and economic resources from the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

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implementing regulations. The public scoping workshops will kick off the federal environmental review process that is led by the RUS under NEPA.
> [View public scoping meeting schedule](#)



In coordination with Tri-State and PSCo, RUS will be hosting a series of public scoping meetings for the San Luis Valley-Calumet-Comanche Transmission Project. We invite those interested in the project to attend the meetings to provide input into the federal environmental review process and discuss details of the proposed transmission line alternative corridors with RUS representatives and utility company staff.

>> [View meeting schedule](#) >>

Your input is needed

The public scoping process provides the public with the opportunity to communicate with the RUS and the utilities, consult with key stakeholders, give comments, and suggest alternatives and provide input on potential impacts to the proposed transmission line.

All comments received by the public, landowners and government agencies will be summarized in a scoping report to be made available to the public by the RUS. The comment period ends Sept. 21, 2009.

Submit your comments various ways:

- > At a public scoping meeting
- > Online at www.socotransmission.com
- > Via phone at 1-877-482-7881
- > By e-mail at info@socotransmission.com

In the News...

[Power companies seek input](#)

by Ruth Heide
Valley Courier
August 5, 2009

Tri-State and Xcel Energy want to give power to the people. While making plans to build a new transmission line into the San Luis Valley, the project partners are scheduling public meetings and taking public comments to give people a voice in the route the transmission line will ultimately follow.

[U.S. electric grid needs major overhaul](#)

by Tom Doggett
Reuters
July 23, 2009

The U.S. electric grid is outdated and needs a major overhaul if it is to carry electricity generated by renewable energy sources.

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